Elizabeth Allen to: POULSEN Mike

Cc: Kristine Koch

03/30/2012 08:53 AM

That was the section I was quoting from yesterday. I do like the discussion that clearly notes that recreational and subsistence fishers should be considered distinctly different populations. But I don't see anything in there that says that using the 17.5 g/day rate represents a median exposure. On the contrary, I take the statement that it adequately protects the general population of fish consumers not to mean that it doesn't cover the consumption habits of half the population. The answer lies somewhere this side of Sheila's idea of redoing that part of the risk assessment, and more along the lines of redefining what some of these values mean in our context. Much like Winston Churchill's famous quote that "history will be kind to me because I intend to write it."

POULSEN Mike I skipped over this report before because I thoug... 03/30/2012 08:15:50 AM

From: POULSEN Mike < POULSEN.Mike@deg.state.or.us>

Elizabeth Allen/R10/USEPA/US@EPA To:

03/30/2012 08:15 AM Date:

Subject: RE: Portland Harbor fish consumption

I skipped over this report before because I thought it was too old. But it was relatively new when we were making PH decisions.

http://water.epa.gov/scitech/swguidance/standards/upload/2005 05 06 criteria human health method complete.pdf

See Section 4.3.3.1.

We may still have the average v. RME issue.

Mike

From: Elizabeth Allen [mailto:Allen.Elizabeth@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, March 30, 2012 8:06 AM

To: POULSEN Mike

Subject: Re: Portland Harbor fish consumption

It's a start. I left Kristine a message. She's here today. BTW, Happy Feasibility Study Day.

POULSEN Mike ---03/30/2012 08:03:50 AM---I found this is a recent EPA training module. I can't put my finger on the source. I'm still looking

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To: Elizabeth Allen/R10/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 03/30/2012 08:03 AM

Subject: Portland Harbor fish consumption

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- Mike

17.5 grams/day is an estimate of the 90th percentile consumption of fish and shellfish from estuarine and fresh waters for adults in the general population. This value is also recommended as an estimate of average consumption of fish and shellfish from estuarine and fresh waters for recreational fishers;